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## October Meeting Highlights

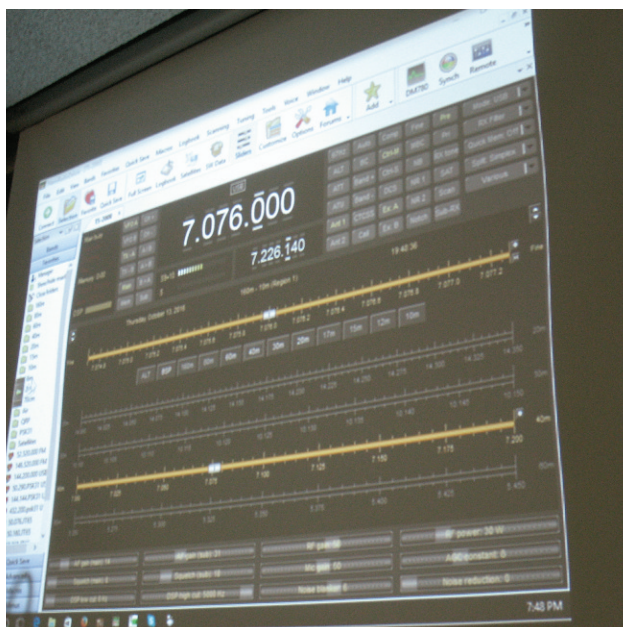
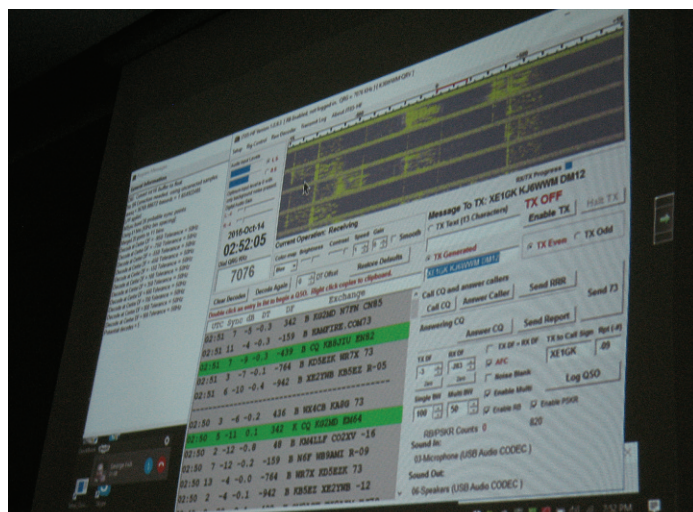
*By Sue Robins AF6LJ*

We had a great meeting in October. George Fish gave a wonderful presentation on the JT-65 digital mode; he used his radio and computer remotely to make contacts. George also explained the operation and protocol of JT-65. His presentation was very good and it was exciting to see contacts being made as part of said presentation.

ARCEC also held a silent auction, selling radio equipment that was donated to the club. There was some good vintage gear there to be had. Members walked away with some real bargains.

Don't forget; Next month is officer nominations, and remember to send your nominations for Ham of the Year to the club secretary, or one of the other club officers.

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### ARCEC Repeater Frequencies

2 Meter Repeater	220 MHZ Repeater	440 MHZ Repeater
TX 146.475	TX 222.480	TX 440.900
RX 147.420	RX 224.080	RX 445.900
Offset .945	Offset 1.6	Offset 5.00
PL 107.2	PL 107.2	PL 107.2





# Second Annual San Diego Hamfest



The San Diego Hamfest rang in Autumn with a good turnout. Festivities began with the Radio Trade Show beginning just before dawn, plenty of participants were on hand for this event.

As the morning progressed there were presentations on RFI elimination, Software Defined Radio, and Pat's Ham Radio Car presentation among others. Drawings were held for many prizes, and the vendors section was well stocked with all manner of ham radio goodies, and what-not. There was also a consignment table with many very good deals. This year's San Diego Hamfest was deemed to be an unqualified success. See you next year at the San Diego Hamfest. \*\*\*\*\*



Early Arrivals waiting for the festivities to begin. Below shots from the Radio Trade Show.





## Next Month's Meeting

Check our website for the latest on our November presentation.

We also have Officer Nominations, Homebrew Contest and more Hope to see you there.

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## New Resources



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**619Battery.com**  
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1985 Friendship Dr B  
El Cajon 92020  
**Jeff Schwen**

Recently Mark KB6PJU and Terry K6TRY had some tree trimming done by one of the local tree trimming services. As often happens the question regarding all that wire and stuff in the air came up. It was explained they are amateur radio operators. Another question came up in their conversation, that being can their bucket truck be used for hanging wire antennas and the like? Well it turns out this company will for a reasonable cost lend the services of their bucket truck for the purpose of minor antenna work. Mark and Terry thought it would be good to pass this information along. And there you have it another very useful service made available to us amateur radio operators. There is a cost involved, however I am told it is reasonable.

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## Fry's Operating Day



Put on by Fry's Electronics and The Sandiego Six Shooters ARC.

Sunday, November 6th, 2016 located at 9825 Stonecrest Blvd, San Diego, CA 92123 (off Aero Dr.)

Setup at 7 am - Public Operations by 9 am - Until 4 pm (+/-)

## Swap Meet Listings

The Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon has a Swap Meet listing page on our website and here in Counterpoise, Have something you want to buy, sell, or trade list it with us. See <http://wa6bgs.us/swapmeetlegal.html> for more listings and posting guidelines. This is a free service to our members.

## Membership Badges & Pins

All members of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon who might wish to obtain a membership badge can contact Dell Awards and place an order with them. They are our current preferred source for these badges, and have our logo and design on file and ready to create a custom badge for members. Current price is \$7.50 per badge and they have indicated that there is normally a 3 business day turnaround time. These are quality badges made by a long established company, so place yours on order soon. They can be reached at the below address and phone number, and be sure to mention you saw this blurb in the Counterpoise newsletter too.

**Dell Awards**  
**7949 Broadway**  
**Lemon Grove, CA 91945**  
**(619) 469-2100**  
**Hours: Mon-Fri 9:30am-5:30pm**  
**Sat 10am-1pm**  
**Sun - Closed**

## Club Pins Now Available:

They have arrived! A limited number of club pins are now here and can be obtained from our Treasurer at most club functions. These are 1" diameter pins with a rubber clutch pin on rear. You can now show the world your support of the Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon, and for the small cost of \$3.00 each too. Get them while they are available.



## Youth Net

A new net, Youth Ham net begins on Thursday night, July 21, 2016. This net is aimed toward young hams. The net will be on every Thursday (except Club Meeting Thursdays) from 7-8 PM on the El Cajon 2 meter repeater. If you are a young ham, or a new ham this net is for you.

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## The San Diego Morse Code Practice Group

Mark KB6PJU has been conducting a code practice group on the WA6BGS VHF repeater. The code practice Group meets at 7:00 PM Pacific time on Fridays. If you want to learn Mores Code, hone your skills, and improve your speed the San Diego Morse Code Practice Group is for you.

You can discuss the San Diego Morse Code Practice Group here;

<http://www.arrl.org/forum/topics/view/1536>

And here;

<https://forums.qrz.com/index.php?threads/new-2-meter-repeater-cw-teaching-method-developed.492738/>

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## Club Shirts & Jackets

We have 2013 club shirts and jackets available at meetings. Shirts are available sizes from small to XX large, this year's shirt has a pocket and as usual is green in color with the club logo in white. The cost is \$12.00 each.

Jackets are also available in sizes ranging from Medium to XX large. These are of the lined windbreaker style, with side pockets and they snap down the front. The cost is \$24.00 each.

We also have a number of shirts from 2012, these shirts are identical to the 2013 shirts without the pocket, and they are available in both the standard club shirt and the 2012 Field Day shirt. Sizes are limited to stock on hand.

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**WA6BGS**

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Please fill out this form and then see options at bottom for submitting to the club

Date of application: \_\_\_ / \_\_\_ / \_\_\_

Amount Paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Cash    Check    Check # \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Type:    Individual (\$20/year)    Family\* (\$35/year)

Membership Status:    New    Renewal    Returning Member

Call Sign    First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

If a previous member, what was your WAMO number?

ARRL Member:    Yes    No

License Class:    Technician    General    Extra    Other

Email Address (required) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (optional) \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Use another sheet of paper to add Family members and please include the following information:*

First Name, Last Name, Call Sign (if any), License Class, Wamo Number (if any), & Email Address.

**Submitting this form:**

To submit this form, you can mail it to:

**Amateur Radio Club of El Cajon  
P.O. Box 50  
El Cajon, CA 92022**

-OR-

Bring it to the next club meeting on the second Thursday of each month. You can find the date and location by getting online at [www.wa6bgs.us](http://www.wa6bgs.us) which is the club website. Check it out for the most current information regarding the club.

**Cash Payments - Get a receipt from the Club Treasurer. Please make all checks payable to AMATEUR RADIO CLUB of EL CAJON, Incorporated. Receipts for payments by check will be sent by email or regular mail by the Club Treasurer.**

**Members with an FCC Call Sign are full members with voting privileges. Members without an FCC Call Sign are Associate members without voting privileges.**

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